# INFRASTRUCTURE AND ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

Council of the County of Maui

#### **MINUTES**

#### June 17, 2013

#### Council Chamber, 8th floor

**CONVENE:** 1:33 p.m.

**PRESENT:** VOTING MEMBERS:

Councilmember Elle Cochran, Chair

Councilmember Stacy Crivello, Vice-Chair (out 2:28 p.m.)

Councilmember Robert Carroll

Councilmember Donald G. Couch, Jr.

Councilmember Don S. Guzman (in 1:41 p.m.)

Councilmember G. Riki Hokama

Councilmember Mike White (in 1:34 p.m., out 2:58 p.m., in 3:03 p.m.)

**STAFF:** Scott Jensen, Legislative Analyst

Yvette Bouthillier, Committee Secretary

Ella Alcon, Council Aide, Molokai Council Office (via telephone conference bridge) Denise Fernandez, Council Aide, Lanai Council Office (via telephone conference bridge) Dawn Lono, Council Aide, Hana Council Office (via telephone conference bridge)

**ADMIN.:** David Goode, Director, Department of Public Works

Nolly Yagin, Civil Engineer VI, Engineering Division, Department of Public Works (IEM-3)

Lance Nakamura, Civil Engineer V, Development Services Administration, Department of Public Works (IEM-6)

Glen Ueno, Administrator, Development Services Administration, Department of Public Works (IEM-6)

Lesli Otani, Civil Engineer IV, Development Services Administration, Department of Public Works (IEM-6)

Michael J. Hopper, Deputy Corporation Counsel, Department of the Corporation Counsel

**OTHERS:** Lionel Santos (IEM-6)

**PRESS:** Akaku: Maui Community Television, Inc.

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CHAIR COCHRAN: ... (gavel) ... Aloha and will the meeting of the Infrastructure and Environmental Management Committee now come to order? It is Aloha Monday, June 17, 2013, around 1:33 in the afternoon, and welcome everyone. I am

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Councilmember Elle Cochran, Chair of the Infrastructure and Environmental Management Committee. And before we begin, Members and anyone in the audience, can you please silence your cell phones or other noise-making devices? And here with us today, let me introduce our Members present. We have Vice-Chair of the Council, Bob Carroll.

COUNCILMEMBER CARROLL: Good afternoon, Chair.

CHAIR COCHRAN: Aloha. And Stacy Crivello.

VICE-CHAIR CRIVELLO: Aloha, Chair.

CHAIR COCHRAN: Aloha. Mr. Donald Couch.

COUNCILMEMBER COUCH: Aloha and good afternoon, Chair.

CHAIR COCHRAN: Mr. Riki Hokama.

COUNCILMEMBER HOKAMA: Chair.

CHAIR COCHRAN: Aloha. And introducing from our Administrative officials, we have David Goode, Director of Public Works.

MR. GOODE: Good afternoon.

CHAIR COCHRAN: Good afternoon, Mr. Goode. And also Deputy Corporation Counsel, Michael Hopper.

MR. HOPPER: Good afternoon, Chair.

CHAIR COCHRAN: \_\_\_\_\_, Mr. Hopper. Our Committee Staff, we have Legislative Analyst, Scott Jensen, and Committee Secretary, Yvette Bouthillier, aloha and welcome. At this point, public testimony will be accepted in a few moments. And I'd also like to recognize the presence of Councilmember Mike White.

COUNCILMEMBER WHITE: Aloha.

CHAIR COCHRAN: Aloha, hi. And just a reminder for individuals in our Chambers who would wish to testify, please sign up at the desk located out in our lobby on the eighth floor. And if you're testifying from our remote locations specified...please testify on the specified meeting agenda items and sign up with your District Offices Staff member at your particular location. Testimony will be limited to the items on the agenda today and pursuant to the Rules of the Council each testifier is allowed three minutes with one minute to conclude. And when testifying, please state your name or any organization or group you may be affiliated with. And we have a connection to the District Offices so

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residents from those sites can testify. To be fair, I will rotate through the sites. Members, please remember that participants from the District Offices depend on our speaking loudly, clearly, and directly into the microphone. The Chair will request that the Staff there identify themselves. From the Hana Office...Chair this is...is Dawn Lono there?

MS. LONO: Good afternoon, Chair. This is Dawn Lono at the Hana Office.

CHAIR COCHRAN: Aloha, Dawn. Thank you for being there. From the Lanai Office.

MS. FERNANDEZ: Good afternoon, Chair. This is Denise Fernandez at the Lanai Office.

CHAIR COCHRAN: Mahalo, Denise, for being there. And our Molokai Office.

MS. ALCON: Good afternoon, Chair. This is Ella Alcon on Molokai.

CHAIR COCHRAN: Aloha, Ella. Thank you for being there. Alright, we will receive testimony in the Chamber. First and starting, it looks like we have Lionel Santos. Mr. Santos will be testifying on Item IEM-6.

#### .BEGIN PUBLIC TESTIMONY...

MR. SANTOS: Good afternoon, Chair, and the other Members of the Council. I have something in my throat. Sometime you going have a hard time understanding me. I was trying to get my subdivision approved for now 13 years and nothing can go through. And now I agree with what Mr. Goode wants to do with improving this for the people who have properties that want to give to their families. The thing is the Council has been making it so hard for all of us and I'd like to thank Mr. Goode for what he's trying to do. And I'd like to have...one thing ... (inaudible). . . I got jammed up on my subdivision because of the surveyor was supposed to be entering every year my subdivision. He lapped couple years and now I had to start all over again after so many years. I just wanted...I couldn't be caught in the grandfather clause. And one other thing that you guys have to try and remember is that we...it's a family subdivisions. We gonna give this properties away. Why make it so hard and so expensive? It's a lot of people just cannot afford to even give their properties away. I think you guys should be doing a lot of different things with this subdivision thing for families. And I understand people take advantage of this thing. But you guys can make rules and stuff that in the five years you cannot sell 'em within five years, if you sell 'em within five years, there's some kind of a penalty, if ten years some kind of a penalty. And if somebody has hardship and what have you and just have to sell it in order to what have you, they have to come to the Council and ask for loans or what have you. If they can sell, you know, it's really hard and hard, what have you. This is a little bit off of the...it's...you know, you guys keep talking about the Upcountry droughts, how can we have an Upcountry drought when Kihei and Makena and all these other places never have a drought? We have more rain than they have.

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- CHAIR COCHRAN: You know, Mr. Santos, please, sorry to interrupt but we just need our testimony to be the agenda items. Thank you.
- MR. SANTOS: Well then anyways I hope you guys do approve what Mr. Goode wants to do for the people. My family owned that property for 164 years. My grandfather paid \$10 for six acres in 1864. Thank you.
- CHAIR COCHRAN: Thank you, Mr. Santos. Members, any need for clarification or restating of testifier's testimony? No, seeing none, Mr. Santos, thank you for being here. Mahalo. Okay, I will now proceed to Hana Office. Ms. Lono, anyone there from the Hana Office wishing to testify?
- MS. LONO: The Hana Office has no one waiting to testify, Chair.
- CHAIR COCHRAN: Thank you, Dawn. And at this point, let's see I'll go to the Lanai Office. Anyone there wishing to testify?
- MS. FERNANDEZ: The Lanai Office has no one waiting to testify.
- CHAIR COCHRAN: Thank you, Denise. And now over to Molokai, anyone wishing to testify?
- MS. ALCON: There's no one here on Molokai waiting to testify.
- CHAIR COCHRAN: Thank you, Ella. And at this point, I will turn back to our Chambers to see if there's anyone here wishing to testify. And it looks like I got a big nod saying no at this point. So, Members and outlying District Offices, without any objections, I will now close the floor for public testimony.
- COUNCIL MEMBERS: No objections.
- CHAIR COCHRAN: Thank you, so ordered. And I'd like to acknowledge the presence of Mr. Don Guzman.
- COUNCILMEMBER GUZMAN: Thank you, Chair.
- CHAIR COCHRAN: Aloha, thank you. And we have now completed our rotation of testifying on our outlying districts and here.

#### ...END OF PUBLIC TESTIMONY...

## ITEM NO. 17(1): MEMBERS' REPORTS ON INFORMATIONAL MEETINGS OR PRESENTATIONS (GREEN STREETS PRESENTATION)